

**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND TRAUMA SYSTEM**

**SUBSTANTIVE POLICY STATEMENT
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Clarification of "Provides the emergency medical patient with a written list" in A.A.C. R9-25-504(C)(2)

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The purpose of this substantive policy statement is to notify the public how the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) interprets "provides the emergency medical patient with a written list" in A.A.C. R9-25-504(C)(2).

A.A.C. R9-25-504(C)(2) requires an EMT who is responding to an emergency medical patient who has accessed 9-1-1 or a similar dispatch number to refer, advise, or transport the emergency medical patient to the most appropriate health care institution once the EMT provides the emergency medical patient with a written list of the health care institutions that are available to deliver emergency medical care to the emergency medical patient.

ADHS interprets "provides the emergency medical patient with a written list" to mean that the EMT provides a list which is in a textual medium, including typed, photographic, or electronic, such as showing the emergency medical patient a list displayed on a computer screen, handing the emergency medical patient a paper copy of a list, or showing the emergency medical patient a list on a laminated card that is kept in the ambulance.

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